FISCAL MEMORANDUM HB 472 – SB 570

May 30, 2007

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (009666, 009663): Deletes all language of the original bill. Authorizes the Director of Schools serving schools placed on probation to take certain corrective actions. Requires each school and LEA to include additional BEP information in their annual school improvement plans. Requires the Department of Education to collect, evaluate, approve and monitor system and school improvement plans. Requires bonuses to principals if performance standards are exceeded. Gives the principal authority over the school budget. Requires LEAs to develop a differential pay plan for teachers teaching in certain schools and teaching in certain subject areas. Authorizes principals to make certain administrative staffing decisions. Requires the State Board of Education to develop a report card on the effectiveness of teacher training programs in higher education institutions. Requires each principal to meet periodically with every teacher in the principal's school to provide the teacher with a written assessment of the teacher's performance and requires teachers to be assessed at least two times Amendment #009663 requires the Office of Education every five years. Accountability to review a sample of school improvement plans annually and report the results to the Education Committees.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Decrease State Revenues - \$11,822,000/General Fund

\$26,514,000/Education Fund

\$1,870,000/Earmarked to Local Govt.

\$ 150,000/Department of Revenue

\$ 374,000/Sinking Fund

Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - \$1,870,000

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Increase State Expenditures - \$77,000 Recurring/SBE \$20,000 One-Time/SBE

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures –

Exceeds \$50,000,000 Recurring

Other Fiscal Impact - Funding for this bill as amended is included in the Governor's Budget and in the Administration Amendment to the appropriations bill.

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- Estimated recurring cost to the State Board of Education for one additional staff position dedicated to the creation and monitoring of a report card and assessment of teacher training programs at higher education institutions of \$72,000 for salary and benefits. There would be an additional one-time cost of \$8,000 to hold four meetings and \$12,000 for printing, publications and handouts.
- There will be no significant increase in expenditures for the Department of Education to implement this bill as amended.
- Local school systems will incur significant increased expenditures to implement accountability measures and other changes required to improve school performance. The amount of this cost will vary from system to system and will depend on specific changes made in each school system. This cost will be subsumed within the BEP reform package and is estimated to exceed \$50,000,000 recurring statewide. Funds to cover these costs are included in the total BEP reform package funding of \$290,100,000 recurring and \$5,385,000 one-time included in the Governor's Budget for FY07-08 and the Administration Amendment to the appropriations bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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